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SUBJECT: FERTILIZER PLANTS IN IRAQ AND COST INDEX FORMULA

REF: A) BAGHDAD 629; B) BAGHDAD 255

1. COPY REF A SENT TO KELLOGG'S WASHINGTON REP, ED HALLINAN. HE IS AWARE OF EXISTENCE OF USINT AS ARE ALL BUSINESSMEN WHO DISCUSS PROSPECTS IN IRAQ WITH EITHER STATE OR COMMERCE.

2. ON SUBJECT OF COST INDEX FORMULA: CAGNE IS AIRPOUCHING WHAT IS BELIEVED TO BE EEC RECOMMENDED PRICE REVISION FORMULA. ATTEMPTING CONFIRM SOURCE OF THIS AND DEVELOP INFO ON OTHER FORMULAS.

3. EACH U.S. COMPANY USES OWN FORMULA BASED ON BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS (BLS) INDICES. INDICES ARE BROKEN DOWN INTO CONSIDERABLE DETAIL FOR TYPES OF EQUIPMENT, TYPES OF LABOR, ETC., AND ARE REVISED EACH MONTH. USE OF BLS INDICES IS WIDELY ACCEPTED BOTH IN U.S. AND ABROAD. THEY HAVE OBJECTIVITY, ARE CONSIDERED ACCURATE, AND ARE LOOKED ON ABROAD AS HAVING USG APPROVAL.

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4. WILL ATTEMPT GET BLS INDICES TO USINT AND SEND ANY
FURTHER INFO ASAP. KISSINGER

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